

Natural Gas Explosion near Fresno, Fresno County 4/17/15 Photo Credit: @81vlvnmvc / Instagram



# SITUATION SUMMARY

#### Explosion and Fire, Fresno County 4/17/15 (New/Final)

On 4/17/15 hours at approximately 1448 hours, a 12 inch pipeline was hit by a subcontractor working on the Fresno Sheriff's Gun Range property, causing an explosion and fire.

- CHP, Fresno Sheriff's Office, Fresno Police Department, and Fresno Fire responded to the incident.
- The gas line fire extended over the northbound lanes of SR-99, requiring CHP to divert traffic off at Herndon and Shaw Avenues (Fresno).
- · The fire also extended over a rail line, which is reported closed
- · Initial report estimate is 14 or 15 patients with one critically injured and transported
- · Northbound (at 1719 hours) and Southbound (at 1629 hours) lanes of Highway 99 have reopened
- · The incident is under Fresno City Fire jurisdiction
- · The Fire IC is located on Herndon Ave and Webber Ave
- Per PG&E, their EOC was activated at 1700 hours and the gas line was shut down at 1600 hours.
- Cal OES Fire Duty Officer reports per Fresno Fire Department that at 1727 hours, the gas lines were shut down and Fresno Fire continues to monitor the atmosphere and patrol the area around the grass fire.
- · Cal OES Fire Branch Assistant Chief Humphrey was enroute to the incident, but has been recalled since the situation has stabilized
- There are no requests for assistance or unmet needs at this time.
- This will be the final report on this incident unless circumstances warrant an update.

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#### Significant Fire Activity - Northern California:

## Ward Incident, Plumas County, FRA

Per Cal OES FDO and CAL FIRE ICS-209 dated 04/17/15 at 1702 hours:

- 10 miles SE of Taylorsville
- Type 3 IC
- 137 acres at 100%
- · Structure threat has been mitigated
- · Minimal fire activity overnight
- No OES or Local Government resources committed

#### **Weather of Concern**

A deep trough of low pressure will cover California Wednesday through Friday of next week. This will bring a significant pattern change.
 Showers could develop as early as Wednesday, then increase Thursday and continue Friday. There is a slight chance of thunderstorms with brief heavy rain and some hail possible Thursday and Friday. It will be unseasonably chilly with snow levels below 5000 feet at times.

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County: <a href="http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa\_bc\_cal.php">http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa\_bc\_cal.php</a>

#### Cal EOC Incident - 2014 Drought

SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought

# **WEATHER**

#### **WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:**

## **Northern Region**

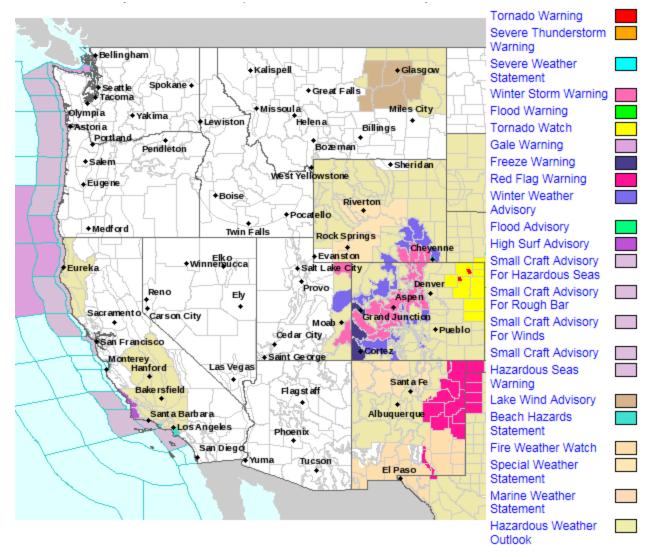
High pressure will remain over the North Operations area today. Warm and dry conditions will continue. A gradual cooling trend will begin Saturday as the high weakens and a weak low pressure trough moves southward to Northern California. The trough will stall and deepen over Central California Sunday. The North-Northeast and Offshore surface wind pattern will return, with top gusts early Sunday reaching 25-35 mph. The low will also bring enough instability to allow isolated afternoon showers and thunderstorms to develop in the mountains. Currently, computer models are showing isolated coverage over the higher terrain of the North Operations region late Saturday, but only to the south of the region, over the Central Sierra, on Sunday. The trough will develop into a deepening cutoff low off the Southern California coast Monday and Tuesday. The shower and thunderstorm activity is expected to spread to more of the North Operations region each day. By Tuesday night and Wednesday a stronger system will arrive with the potential for more widespread precipitation. This pattern is expected to last into the early part of next weekend.

## **Southern Region**

A return to a cooler and more humid weather pattern is expected as a series of cold core systems make their way into the area. However, today will be sunny and warm with above normal temperatures. Highs will reach the mid and upper 80s in the valleys and some mid slope and lower elevations will continue to see afternoon relative humidity readings below 15%. Winds will be light throughout the day with some afternoon sea breezes of 10-15 mph this afternoon. This weekend, onshore flow will strengthen, which will bring 3-5 degrees of cooling each day along with a return of the marine layer to coastal areas. Northerly flow will introduce some mid level moisture into Central California, allowing isolated showers and one or two high elevation thunderstorms to develop in the Sierras Saturday and Sunday. Rainfall will be under a tenth of an inch. Monday and Tuesday, a weak low over the area may allow additional showers to develop over the rest of Central California, including the San Joaquin Valley and the central coast region. Rainfall will continue to be very light. A deeper trough is expected to arrive during the middle of next week which may bring a bit more moisture into the area. More widespread rainfall may be possible in Central California next Wednesday and Thursday with isolated showers possible as far south as the Angeles and San Bernardino National Forests. Some areas of Central California, including the central and southern Sierras may see over a quarter of an inch of rain from these midweek showers. Temperatures next week look to remain a few degrees below normal with highs in the 50s in the mountains to the lower 70s in the valleys. Snow levels may fall to under 5,000 feet by next Wednesday or Thursday. The precipitation should end by next Friday, leaving cool temperatures and strong northwest winds in its wake for the weekend of the 25th.



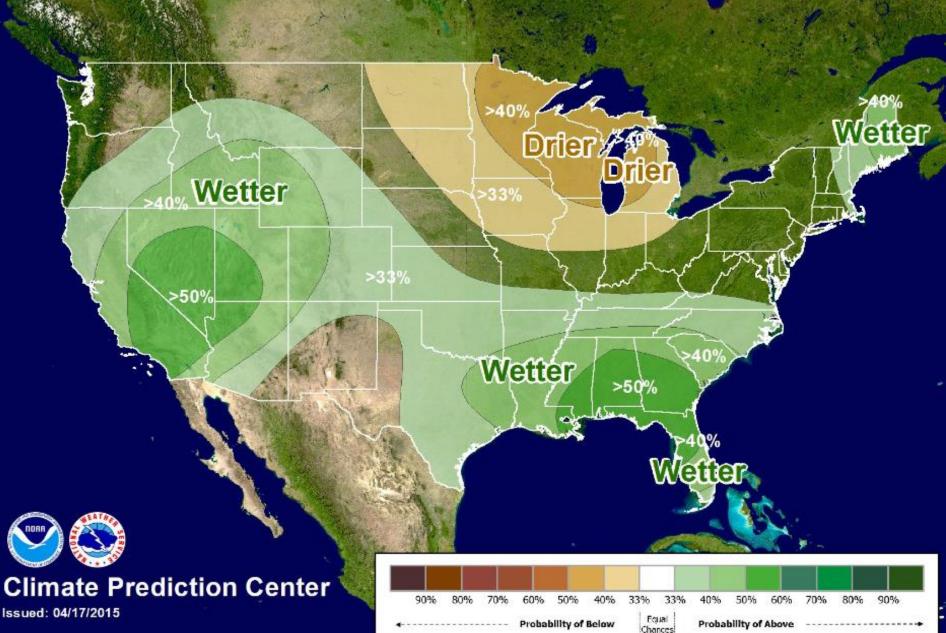
# STATE WEATHER MAP





# 6-10 Day Precipitation Outlook

Apr 23 - Apr 27, 2015



# **FIRE ACTIVITY**

## **Preparedness Levels**

**National Preparedness Level 1** 

Northern California

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 1

**Southern California** 

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php

**NWS California River Forecast Center:** 

http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/



## **RECOVERY ACTIVITIES**

# **Round Fire, Mono County**

• Site sampling and hazardous materials recovery of the affected properties began 03/14/15. Cal Recycle began debris removal operations 03/23/15.

## **Project Totals as Day 18:**

| 38   | Homeowners who registered for the removal project.   |  |
|------|--|--|
| 4    | Homeowners that denied entry.                        |  |
| 38   | Initial site assessment/site documentation complete. |  |
| 38   | Asbestos survey completed and results received.      |  |
| 26   | Debris removal completed.                            |  |
| 22/9 | Confirmation sampling completed/approved.            |  |
| 0    | Erosion Control Completed.                           |  |
| 0    | Approved by County for Building Permit.              |  |

# **Estimated Project Total Tonnage for the Project as of Day 18:**

| Category                | Total Tons |
|-------------------------|------------|
| Debris and Ash Disposed | 2,393      |
| Soil Disposed           | 3,273      |
| Metals Recycled         | 1,088      |
| Concrete Recycled       | 2,022      |
| Total All Categories    | 8,776      |

## **Estimated Daily Tonnage:**

| Category          | Day 18 |  |
|-------------------|--------|--|
| Debris/Ash        | 112    |  |
| Soil Disposed     | 283    |  |
| Metal Recycled    | 39     |  |
| Concrete Recycled | 138    |  |
| Total             | 572    |  |

# **CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT**

## Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC, Inland, Coastal, and Southern REOCs and the Santa Barbara County EOC are activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-26-14 on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought, specifically through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-29-15 on 04/01/15 which announced actions that will save water, increase enforcement to prevent wasteful water use, streamline the state's drought response and invest in new technologies to make California more drought resilient.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate the Community Impacts Workgroup conference calls. Currently, the calls take
  place on alternating Wednesdays.
- Cal OES Regional (Inland, Coastal, Southern) conference calls continue to occur on a weekly basis.



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## **Local Emergency Proclamations:**

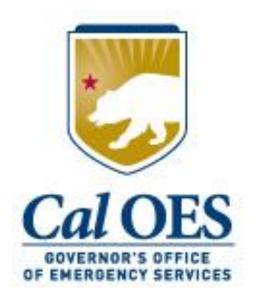
A total of 54 local Emergency Proclamations have been received to date from city, county, and tribal governments, as well as special districts:

- 24 Counties: El Dorado, Glenn, Inyo, Humboldt, Kern, Kings, Lake, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Modoc, Plumas, San Bernardino, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sonoma, Sutter, Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, and Yuba.
- 9 Cities: City of Live Oak (Sutter County), City of Lodi (San Joaquin County), City of Montague (Siskiyou County), City of Portola (Plumas County), City of Ripon (San Joaquin County), City of San Juan Bautista (San Benito County), City of Santa Barbara (Santa Barbara County), and City of West Sacramento (Yolo County), and City of Willits (Mendocino County).
- 9 Tribes: Cortina Indian Rancheria (Colusa County), Hoopa Valley Tribe (Humboldt County), Karuk Tribe (Siskiyou/Humboldt Counties), Kashia Band of Pomo Indians of the Stewarts Point Rancheria (Sonoma County), Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians (Madera County) Sherwood Valley Pomo Indian Tribe (Mendocino County), Tule River Indian Tribe (Tulare County), Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation (Yolo County), and Yurok Tribe (Humboldt County).
- 12 Special Districts: Carpinteria Valley Water District (Santa Barbara County), Goleta Water District (Santa Barbara County), Groveland Community Services District (Tuolumne County), Lake Don Pedro Community Services District (Mariposa Stanislaus County), Mariposa Public Utility District (Mariposa County), Meiners Oaks Water District (Ventura County), Montecito Water District (Santa Barbara County), Mountain House Community Service District (San Joaquin County), Nevada Irrigation District (Nevada County), Placer County Water Agency (Placer County), Tuolumne Utilities District (Tuolumne County), and Twain Harte Community Services District (Tuolumne County).

# **CAL OES MISSIONS**

## **Ongoing Cal OES Missions**

• 2015-LAW-9571, 4/13/2015, 1554, Butte County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) requesting four HRD K9 to respond and assist in searching for MP last seen on 4/5/2015. They will be searching along a raised PGE water flume that has running water approximately 3-4 feet deep. The requested resources are to meet in Paradise, CA, for a 0800 briefing, 4/14/2015. Cal OES LEB is coordinating a response. Update: 4/13/2015, 2245 hours, requested resources were unavailable for the scheduled search. BCSO is requesting the mission be kept open and will reschedule later this week when resources are available. Update - 4/17/15, 0829 hours - Butte County Sheriffs Office (BCSO) has requested the following resources to assist in locating a male subject (MP) who was last seen on April 5, 2015; 4 Human Remains Detection K9 and 4 apprentices to assist them, 6 Type I or II ground searchers for Saturday April 18 @ 0800 hours. LDO is coordinating resources at this time. Mission On-going



# Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.